Form **8871** (July 2000)

Political Organization Notice of Section 527 Status

OMB No. 1545-1693

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art I General Informati	ion		
Name of organization	Employer identification number		
PRESTON GATES & E	LLIS CONTINUING	POLITICAL COMMITTEE	-91 + 0534064 -
Mailing address (P.O. Box or n	0,000000		
701 Fifth Avenue,	Suite 5000		91-2078929
City or town, state, and ZIP co	ode		
Seattle, WA 9810	4-7078		
E-mail address of organization			
none			
a Name of custodian of records	4	b Custodian's address	
		701 Fifth Avenue, S	uite 5000
Richard D. Ford		Seattle, WA 98104-	7078
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a Name of contact person	5	b Contact person's address	
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Richard D. Ford			Ø OCT 0 6 2000
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Business address of organizati	ion (if different from mailing	j address shown above). Number, stre	et, and room or substrante N, UT
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Part IV List of All Officers, Directors, and Highly Compensated Employees (see instructions) 9a Name 9b Title 9c Address				
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Thomas G. Allison	Co-Chair	701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 5000		
		Seattle, WA 98104-7078		
Grace T. Yuan	Co-Chair	701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 5000		
		Seattle, WA 98104-7078		
		701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 5000		
Richard D. Ford	Treasurer	Seattle, WA 98104-7078		
Under penalties of perium 1	declare that the organization pan	۔۔۔ med in Part I is to be treated as an organization described in section 527 of the Internal		
Revenue Code, and Mat I ha it is true correct, and comple	ve examined this notice, including	g accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief,		
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Sign Signature of authorize	HUTCHER	10-4-2020)		
Here Signature of authorize	d official Richard D.	Ford Date		

PRESTON GATES & ELLIS CONTINUING POLITICAL COMMITTEE 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 5000 Seattle, WA 98104-7078

October 4, 2000

Internal Revenue Service Center Ogden, Utah 84201

Re: Form 8871 Filing

Dear Sirs:

We are filing this report because it appears that such a filing may be mandatory—even if totally unnecessary and purposeless. We also note that your regulations governing the filing were issued after the date the reports were supposed to be initially filed. We wish to be responsible citizens but this regulatory misbehavior after the fact is a test of patience and common sense.

Please note that Preston Gates & Ellis PAC is registered with the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission. All receipts and disbursements are reported on a regular basis to the PDC and any citizen (and the IRS) can access the reports via the PDC web site. The revenues of the PAC are derived solely from contributions of partners of Preston Gates & Ellis. The amount of each partner's annual contribution is reported on his or her K-1 forms as income, and is therefore subject to tax. In other words, the IRS already has all the information we are providing in this filing.

We would hope that the IRS would do what it can to eliminate this wasteful duplication. We fully agree that any dollars going to political campaigns should be taxed, and thereshould be disclosure. We are already doing both. Can't we make one set of reports serve the public interest? Frankly, this sort of regulation will have only the effect of undermining support for the Service among the public.

Treasurer

Preston Gates & Ellis Continuing Political Committee

Enclosure

cc: Washington State Congressional Delegation

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